Town of Frederick Board of Trustees



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TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MOU 10-RMR-2150 AND AGENT DESIGNATION 10-RMR-2167 WITH WESTERN AREA POWER AUTHORITY FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS FOR LAP HYDRO GENERATION

Agenda Date:	Town Board Meeting - November 11, 2010
	a. Resolutionb. MOU No. 10-RMR-2150c. Agent Designation 10-RMR-2167
Fiscal Note:	None noted Administrative Services Director
Submitted by:	Richard Leffler, P.E. Town Engineer
Approved for Presentation:	Town Administrator
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Certification of Board Approval: Town Clerk Date	

Summary Statement:

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Agent Designation with Western Area Power Authority (Western) provide the Town of Frederick with the opportunity to participate in Western's Loveland Area Projects (LAP) Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) Program.

Detail of Issue/Request:

The Town of Frederick is not currently required to have a minimum percentage of electric power provided by renewable energy sources. Some electric power providers do have to meet minimum renewable energy credits that have been set by the State of Colorado and this could be imposed upon Frederick in the future. There is the opportunity for positive public relations from having some portion

of Frederick's power being supplied by renewable energy sources. While the REC Program covered by this MOU with Western may provide only a small amount of renewable energy credits, it is something that is beneficial for Frederick and an environmentally responsible project in which to participate. There is no cost to Frederick to participate and these REC's should prove valuable to the Town, now and in the future. The REC's would be assigned to the Town and cannot be sold to another party.

The Notice of Agent Designation would allow the Town of Frederick to have access to view the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS) account that will be set up for Frederick, if the Board approves the MOU. This would allow viewing only of the Frederick account to see how many REC's have been assigned to the Town.

Legal/Political Considerations:

The attached MOU was reviewed and the resolution was prepared by the Town Attorney's office.

Alternatives/Options:

The Board of Trustees may choose to enter in the MOU with Western, or choose not to. There is no cost to participate in the REC program other than staff time to monitor the program. Staff is of the opinion that the Town should enter into the MOU and approve the Agent Designation with Western.

Financial Considerations:

Not Applicable

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution ____ and authorization for the Mayor to sign MOU No. 10-RMR-2150 and Agent Designation 10-RMR-2167 on behalf of the Town of Frederick.